Howard, relet 6/21- 6/23/76

While without doubt what is not about to happen could be more joyous, I can't offhand think of what can that would make me happier than recommending you to any federal judge. I think the New Orleans appeals bench is an excellent one. I hope you get it and live with happiness and circumspection within walking distance, in the French Quarter, where that court sits. Beautiful spot if the building is known as the "fish" building after the Bureau of Fisheries.

I know nothing about Simpson. I may know one or two New Orleans attornies if they can help. Or in Memphis, which is in that appeals district. But might know some. I don't know what is right and accepted but I think your judgement to go for this and the reasons are excellent.

Do you want me to make any inquiries without using your name? If so, let me know the norms so I won't go past them.

I may write Carol Randolph. Wish the 9 in the Morning show were the first. I'm in court then. Push your publisher to try for Panorama the same day, Channel 5, aired 12-2 p.m. One trip, two shows. Maybe he has. He's burning up a lot of $$$$ on one show.

I also asked about the semester after the one just started and Agent Oswald if that can work out. When does the semester end. How much would you want. Etc.

I suggest that on all shows you try to distinguish between the responsible and the irresponsible, seeking to avoid identification of the irresponsibles. You will, on WTOP, be soon after the Schweiker report , which will be reported on tonight's news for the first time. If is goes as I suspect, tryx to avoid letting it be pinned to whether LHO was affiliated with the pro- or anti-Castros. (This report's appearance may, with proper persuasion, change the WTTG-Channel 5 -Rxxxxxxxx Dunderhead Povich mind.) Note that this approach avoids any question of who did kill JFK and, as your book is titled, presumes guilt. This is a natural for you and your title and topical promos. I'm seeking no attention on this so you try, including, with the publisher's aid, by phone. I'm sure, for example, that Jim Eason, KGO radio, San Fransisco, would air you by phone on this. And Allan Dale, KITE, San Antonio (tell them to use my name). Because of your title, hit that and don't try to cover too much, like what is the real question about LHO's connections.

Has your publisher tried the Phil Donahue Show? He has had to change since his radio days and has not had me but I think he recalls his debt - I used to do his radio show by phone when he had abrupt cancellations so I think my work might mean something to him. If the request gets past the present producer whose name I don't know.

Want me to use Roger-or do you want to write him now that I've brought you together- is 60 Minutes wants a live segment in their summer reruns with the Schweiker Report out?

With the report there is now also the NBC and ABC-Westinghouse Radio news that are heard widely. If they hit NBC, avoid DC. Use NYC.

Want a pad for the 29th? Anyone to meet you? I've friends among your peers. Some will, spend the following weekend here.

If you do Kup when you have time to return via DC I have some things in Chicago I'd prefer be hand-delivered. If you do Snyder in NYC there are radio shows you can do then, like Farber, who is syndicated as of my last knowledge. That would also be a good time, if agreed to, to do the Douglas Shows taped in Phila. Your father could handle that if your publisher can't.

I'm happy about the rest, from Duane to the cats, but I'm out of time. Jil can't say anything because she is unspeakable, I hope only temporarily. But you know what she thinks and wishes. Our best,

6/21/76

Dear Harold,

I'm sorry I haven't written for so long, but as usual, even without being in schhol, I am quite busy. As of late, more so with travel and Dunae's own trip to NY, upstate. Things are about to settle down and, inevitably, become more busy, with summer classes beginning tomorrow. In additiond to classes there will be work (15hrs a week) for the Center and executive editor of Law Reviéew. Plus, hopefully, some travel for my book. Kup and Tomorrow look definite for later in summer. I will be in Washington on 6/30 to do "9 in the Morning." I'll fly in the evening of 6/29 and fly back right after the show, unless publisher makes any other plans.

The immediate reason for my writing is to tell you that, without asking you in advance, I have given your name to a federal appeals judge as a reference in my efforts to get a clerking position. The Judge is Bryan Simpson, 5th Circuit. I hope you don't mind, and if you don't, I'd like to use you as a reference with other federal judges, 5th Cir., to whom I've applied, if and when they express interest. I've decided that this is what I would like to do when I get out of school, as a buffer for a year or two. The pay and experience are good, and hopefully will give me more time to make up my mind about what I want to do with law, even sniff around to find out more just what there <u>is</u> to do.

I have an enormous stack of letters from you sitting on my desk, most of them read, but not filed yet. Without going over them, as I recall the one thing on which you ask a response specifically is in reagrds to me taking FBI depositions in the likely remand of the spectro/NAA suit. Of course, I would be delighted to do this, and feel that I could do it very competently. As far as I know, there should be no obstacle to my doing it, even if I am still a student. There is a good prof here to consult, though, and I will--soon. He is a real expert on federal practice, and we are godd friends. In fact, I "booked" (came out first in class) his course in federal practice.

I hope things are well with you and Lil. Duane and I are happy to bw together again, after a hectic, erratic month. The cats are doing well and are a real joy. Olive, the older one, a black siamese, is a gem; she is highly intelligent, relatively well behaved and seems quite sensitive to her human environment. Brutus, the younger one (9 weeks) is a beauty. He is a semi-longhair, light orange with darker stripes, and is more charming than kittems selected for TV ads and greeting cards. Often he'll romp around the pool and capture the hearts of everyone who sees him. However, he is a clutz, and not too bright at that. The plants, if they have emotions, must be terrified of him, and with good reason. Still, for all the havec he has wrought, he is a happy, spunky little fellow, and he and Olive are the best and most affectionate of friends.

Duane and I send gur best to you and Lil.

Howard